1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 8 9 10 GREGORY BENDER, 11 Plaintiff(s), No. C09-1151 JSW (BZ) 12 v. 13 NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR INITIAL DISCOVERY ORDER CORP., 14 Defendant(s). 15 All discovery in this matter has been referred to United 16 17 States Magistrate Judge Bernard Zimmerman. 18 In the event a discovery dispute arises, the parties 19 shall meet in person or, if counsel are outside the Bay Area, 20 by telephone and make a good faith effort to resolve their 21 dispute. Exchanging letters or telephone messages about the 22 dispute is insufficient. The Court will not read subsequent 23 positioning letters; parties shall instead make a 2.4 contemporaneous record of their meeting using a tape recorder

In the event they cannot resolve their dispute, the parties must participate in a telephone conference with the Court **before** filing any discovery motions or other papers.

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or a court reporter.

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The party seeking discovery shall request a conference in a letter filed electronically not exceeding two pages (with no attachments) which briefly explains the nature of the action and the issues in dispute. Other parties shall reply in similar fashion within two days of receiving the letter requesting the conference. The Court will contact the parties to schedule the conference.

After the conference with the Court, if filing papers is deemed necessary, they should be filed electronically with the Clerk's Office, with one hard copy delivered directly to Magistrate Judge Zimmerman's Chambers (Room 15-6688). A chambers copy of all briefs shall be submitted on a diskette formatted in WordPerfect or e-mailed to the following address: bzpo@cand.uscourts.gov

Dated: February 9, 2010

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